

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Dear Sir:

With regards to the Final Office Action mailed November 17, 2008, Applicants respectfully request continued examination of and submit the following amendments in the above-referenced application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, and request entry thereof to place the application in condition for Allowability. Applicants timely filed a Notice of Appeal in this case on May 15, 2009 and now request continued examination.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

**Conclusion** begins on page 16 of this paper.